



RUMSEY HALL SCHOOL

February 15, 2023

Dear VIth Form Parents and Guardians,

Now that all transcripts and recommendations have been submitted to secondary schools on behalf of our Seniors, and conversations have begun with admission offices around the country, I take a moment to begin a dialogue with our VIth Form families about Rumsey's secondary school counseling process.

As many of you know, Rumsey Hall is one of ten (10) member schools of the Junior Boarding School Association. [Junior Boarding School Association Home](#). All of these schools are located in New England and New York and culminate with the 9th grade year. We are committed to the education of young and early adolescent children.

While the VIth Form year is a dramatic time of transition for students, the overall VIIth Form (Senior) experience (academic, social, artistic, athletic, etc.) is designed to most fully prepare Rumsey students for the challenging transition to secondary school. Rumsey's long-standing relationships with prep schools are based on years of successful placement of our graduates. This fall, we welcomed admission officers from over 50 schools who visited our Seniors in our Senior Seminar (4S) class. They enjoy coming to meet and interact with these small groups of students. These meetings go a long way in getting students more comfortable with admissions folks and what to expect in visits, interviews, tours, and the application process in general.

Rumsey's history of retention for matriculants in 10th grade is much stronger than in 9th, as the social fabric of secondary schools can be difficult to navigate. The structure, safety and effectiveness of our VIIth Form programs allow each student to continue to develop good decision-making and leadership skills. The Senior year invariably provides students with the best range of options.

Rumsey will formally begin working with VIth Form families after the **Saturday, April 22, 2023 administration of the SSAT**. We ask that you ***DO NOT*** register your child for this test, as we do this through our Secondary School Counseling Office. ***More information regarding the test is forthcoming.***

The placement process at Rumsey Hall is a comprehensive, step-by-step procedure that spans almost fourteen months. The current secondary school admissions climate is quite complex. Open, plentiful communication and strong partnerships between the School and families yield the best and most appropriate results for each child. As the year progresses, and we turn our attention to the uncharted waters of the secondary school search, I will look forward to forging a strong partnership with you.

You will be receiving Monthly Placement Newsletters from me (via our Communications Department), beginning in March 2023. ***These Newsletters are sent to you each and every first Friday of the month throughout the year.*** It is important that you take the time to read what is sent, as this is our **main form of communication from the Secondary School Counseling Office** to VIIth Form families.



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Additionally, there will be a parent meeting for the Class of 2024 on Spring Parents' Day, Saturday, May 6 at 12:30 p.m. In the meantime, I have included some useful links below for your interest and planning.

Please do not hesitate to contact me ***after April 10*** if you have any questions or concerns or would like to have a conversation about the benefits of our VIIth Form program and the secondary school counseling process.

Regards,

Clayton Ketchum
Director of Secondary School Counseling

Links:

[The Value of a Ninth Grade Year](#)

Attached Below:

Where the Class of 2023 Applied
Timetable for the Class of 2024
Acceptances and Matriculation for the Class of 2022



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CLASS OF 2023 ***Where They Applied***

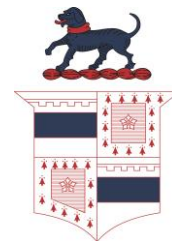
American School Foundation, Mexico
Avon Old Farms School, CT
Berkshire School, MA
Blair Academy, NJ
Brewster Academy, NH
Brooks School, MA
Canterbury School, CT
Cheshire Academy, CT
Choate Rosemary Hall, CT
Cushing Academy, MA
Deerfield Academy, MA
Dwight School, NY
Emma Willard School, NY
Episcopal High School, VA
Ethel Walker School, CT
The Forman School, CT
The Frederick Gunn School, CT
George School, PA
Governor's Academy, MA
The Hill School, PA
The Hotchkiss School, CT
The Hun School of Princeton, NJ
Kent School, CT
Kimball Union Academy, NH
Lawrence Academy, MA
The Lawrenceville School, NJ
Linden Hall, PA
Loomis Chaffee School, CT
The Masters School, NY
Mercersburg Academy, PA
Middlesex School, MA

Millbrook School, NY
Milton Academy, MA
Miss Hall's School, MA
Miss Porter's School, CT
New Hampton School, NH
North Broward Prep, FL
Northfield Mt. Hermon School, MA
Peddie School, NJ
The Pennington School, NJ
Phillips Academy, MA
Pomfret School, CT
Portsmouth Abbey School, RI
Proctor Academy, NH
Salisbury School, CT
South Kent School, CT
St. Andrew's School, DE
St. George's School, RI
St. Mark's School, MA
St. Paul's School, NH
Suffield Academy, CT
Tabor Academy, MA
The Taft School, CT
Tilton School, NH
Trinity-Pawling School, NY
Virginia Episcopal School, VA
Westminster School, CT
Westover School, CT
Westtown School, PA
Williston Northampton, MA
Woodberry Forest School, VA

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SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACEMENT TIMETABLE FOR THE CLASS OF 2024

(Subject to Change)



SPRING TERM 2023

April 22 SSAT administered to VIth Form (Class of 2024) in the Magnoli Gymnasium. *Students are registered through Rumsey Hall's Placement Office. Please do not register your VIth Former for this test. The fee will be charged to the student's account.*

Saturday VIth Form Parents' Meeting on Parents' Day in The Maxwell A. Sarofim '05
May 6 at 12:30 p.m. Performing Arts Center.

May 31 Parents return the **Parent Questionnaire & General Release for School Records** to Julie Fredlund (jfred@rumseyhall.org).

SUMMER 2023

By July 12 **Recommended list** of schools emailed to VIIth Form families.

July - August **Families go on line and do research on schools of interest.** You may find that some schools welcome virtual or on campus visits throughout the summer. We strongly suggest that you consult each school's website or admission office and inquire about their tentative plans for candidates for 2024 admission. **Families are responsible for scheduling interviews and/or visits to secondary schools during Senior Weekend (dates below) or on weekends.** Review options with Mr. Ketchum if necessary.

FALL TERM 2023

Saturday
October 14 VIIth Form Parents' Meeting during Upper School Parents' Day with Head of School, Ian Craig and Director of Secondary School Counseling, Clayton Ketchum.

October 16 – 21 **SENIOR SCHOOL VISITATIONS.** VIIth Formers may leave Campus after all athletic and school commitments on Parents' Day, Saturday, October 14. Students return to campus by 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 22.

Saturday
December TBD SSAT administered to VIIth Form (Class of 2024). *Students are registered by Rumsey Hall's Placement Office. Please do not register your VIIth Former for this test. The fee is charged to the student's account.*

Dec.14 – Jan. 2 **While home for the Winter Recess,** students and parents should **complete and submit all parts** of the SSAT Standard Application Online (SAO), Gateway to Prep Schools, and any other application methods.

WINTER & SPRING TERMS 2024

January **Secondary School Counseling Office and teachers electronically deliver / upload transcripts and teacher recommendations to secondary school admission offices.**

February Secondary school **Admission Committee meetings.**

March 10 **Admission decisions mailed/emailed** to applicants.

April 10 **Reply deadline** for students and families to secondary schools.



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Acceptances

The American School Foundation, Mexico
Beijing City International School, China
Berkshire School, MA
Blair Academy, NJ
Brewster Academy, NH
Brooks School, MA
Canterbury School, CT
Choate Rosemary Hall, CT
Cushing Academy, MA
Episcopal High School, VA
The Frederick Gunn School, CT
Forman School, CT
Governor's Academy, MA
The Hill School, PA
Holderness School, NH
Hoosac School, NY
The Hotchkiss School, CT
Kent School, CT
The Lawrenceville School, NJ
Loomis Chaffee School, CT
The Masters School, NY
Mercersburg Academy, PA
Millbrook School, NY
Miss Porter's School, CT
New Hampton School, NH
North Broward Prep, FL
Peddie School, NJ
Portsmouth Abbey, RI
Pomfret School, CT
Proctor Academy, NH
Princeton Day School, NJ
Riviera Preparatory, FL
Salisbury School, CT
St. George's School, RI
St. Mark's School, MA
St. Paul's School, NH
Stanstead College, Canada
Stevenson School, CA
Suffield Academy, CT
Tabor Academy, MA
The Taft School, CT
Vermont Academy, VT
Westminster School, CT
Westtown School, PA
Wilbraham & Monson, MA
Williston Northampton, MA
Winchendon School, MA

Matriculation

The American School Foundation, Mexico (2)
Balboa Academy, Panama
Beijing City International School, China
Berkshire School, MA (2)
Blair Academy, NJ (2)
Brewster Academy, NH
Brooks School, MA
Burr-Burton Academy, VT
Canterbury School, CT
Choate Rosemary Hall, CT
Colegio Vista Hermosa, Mexico
Forman School, CT
The Frederick Gunn School, CT (5)
Governor's Academy, MA
Gulliver Prep, FL
The Hill School, PA (2)
Holderness School, NH
Hoosac School, NY
The Hotchkiss School, CT
Kent School, CT (5)
The Lawrenceville School, NJ (3)
Loomis Chaffee School, CT (3)
Mercersburg Academy, PA
Millbrook School, NY (4)
North Broward Preparatory School, FL
Peddie School, NJ
Portsmouth Abbey, RI
Proctor Academy, NH
Riviera Preparatory, FL
Salisbury School, CT
St. Mark's School, MA
St. Paul's School, NH (3)
Suffield Academy, CT
Tabor Academy, MA (3)
The Taft School, CT (6)
Technologico de Monterey, Mexico
Thomas Moro School, Mexico
Washington Academy, Venezuela (2)
Westminster School, CT
Westtown School, PA
Wilbraham & Monson, MA

6/6/2022